Maintenance of NHs

†1903. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any definite policy has been formulated or is being formulated by Government regarding maintenance of four-lane/six-lane roads during their construction by National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) or any other agency;

(b) whether NHAI is carrying out maintenance work through the construction company on a stretch of National Highway No. 76 in the city area of Udaipur and the stretch of National Highway No. 12 in city area of Mahua and Bharatpur; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) Yes, Sir. The stretches entrusted to National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) are also being maintained by the Authority.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The four lane Udaipur bypass is under construction by NHAI and presently, National Highway (NH)-76 passes through the city portion of Udaipur which is being maintained by NHAI till the construction of Udaipur bypass is completed. NH-11 passing through Mahua and Bharatpur is also being kept in traffic worthy condition through Build Operate and Transfer (BOT) concessionaire.

Road proposals received from Assam

1904. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of proposals regarding construction of new roads, repair and widening of the existing roads/highways received from the State of Assam by Government during the years 2005-06 and 2006-07;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the proposals sanctioned by Government;

(c) whether there is any such proposal pending with Government; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) to (c) The details of proposals regarding improvement and repair of National Highways received from State of Assam during 2005-06 and 2006-07 are as under:—

Name of the Work	2005-06		2006-07		
	Proposals received	Proposals approved	Proposals received	Proposals approved	Under examination
Improvement/Widening	19	19	35	18	17
Repairs	15	15	24	15	09

(d) The pending proposals are under examination in the Ministry at various levels.

Ring road around Bangalore

1905. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Karnataka's proposal for development of an intermediate ring road around Bangalore is under consideration of the Union Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the present position of the proposal; and

(d) the time likely to be taken to grant approval for the above project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) and (b) Government of Karnataka has forwarded a proposal for inclusion of development of satellite town ring road of Bangalore under NHDP Phase VII.

(c) NHAI has invited proposals for Consultancy Services for preparation of feasibility cum preliminary design.

(d) The decision to approve the project will be taken based on the viability of the project.